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*People, Libraries
and Agencies* **IN THE NEWS**

Kennesaw State University

The Sturgis Library, Kennesaw Campus, has several new employees. Erwyniques Leszczynski and Joselyn Rivera are new library technical paraprofessionals in the Access Services Department. Samantha Reardon is in the new position of collection development assistant. Darian Hailes is the new virtual services paraprofessional. Amy Gratz is the learning & teaching services librarian, librarian assistant professor. Sarah Kantor is the reference services coordinator, librarian assistant professor.



Back row: Leszczynski, Gratz, & Reardon
Front row: Rivera, Kantor, & Hailes

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Rosemary Humphrey, resource sharing manager at the Johnson Library, Marietta Campus, was awarded the George Gaumond Award as a Valdosta State University MLIS student who "has demonstrated exemplary scholarship and service." She will be graduating this May.

Dr. Linda Golian-Lui, associate dean & department chair and librarian professor, taught a two hour session for the Kennesaw State University (KSU) Siegel Institute called, "Managing with Aloha," on January 24, 2017. Linda has also written an endorsement for the second edition of *Managing with Aloha*, by Rosa Say.



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The KSU Library System Annual Authors' Reception was held in the rotunda of the Johnson Library on March 9, 2017. This event celebrated the KSU faculty, staff, and students who published in the previous year. More than 165 works were published. This doubled the amount from the year before. Four KSU librarians were honored.



2016 Published KSU Librarians: Crystal Renfro, Ariel Turner, Rita Spisak, & Cheryl Stiles

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KSU's Lawrence V. Johnson Library, Marietta Campus, received its first endowment, a \$30,000 gift from Jane and Ralph Johnson, the son of the library's namesake. Lawrence (Larry)



V. Johnson served as the first director of The Technical Institute, a two-year technical college, which has evolved into the KSU Marietta Campus.

"When the library was named in honor of my dad, I thought it would be appropriate to also establish a program that would provide funding for library documents, magazines or other publications or activities that might not be covered by the normal budgets," said Johnson. "This gift will help to keep our collections up to date and enhance student learning," said KSU Dean of Library Services David Evans.

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The Rotary Club of North Cobb completed their 2016 Annual Community Grant project using funds from the Rotary Foundation and North



Cobb Rotary Club. The Kennesaw State University Library System now has a new reading bench outside of the building and eleven new public health and polio related medical books to enhance student learning in the library collection.

Scrappy, the KSU mascot, is happily sitting on the new Victor Stanley bench outside of the Horace W. Sturgis Library with KSU Library student worker Austin Rose. They are holding just a few of the donated books in the picture.

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KSU Polyidus Chapter of Alpha Rho Chi, the KSU Johnson Library, and the College of Continuing and Professional Education hosted a labyrinth walking meditation at the Marietta Johnson Library on March 1, 2017. The walkers learned about the labyrinth and how to be centered in stillness and reflection. The KSU Polyidus Chapter of Alpha Rho Chi created the labyrinth for this special event.

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To celebrate National Library Week, the KSU campus took a break from the technology of phones and computers to learn to make books by hand. Librarian, and poet, Cheryl Stiles lead a free hands-on workshop in which participants learned three simple techniques for crafting their own handmade books.